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28	W <sub>1</sub> B <sub>7</sub> PN <sub>5</sub> M <sub>10</sub> H <sub>18</sub> V <sub>12</sub>	MD	"	" , " , "	"
29	W <sub>1</sub> B <sub>7</sub> PN <sub>5</sub> M <sub>5</sub> H <sub>18</sub> V <sub>12</sub>	mDP	"	" , " , "	6,8
30	W <sub>1</sub> B <sub>7</sub> PN <sub>5</sub> M <sub>5</sub> K <sub>2</sub> H <sub>18</sub> V <sub>12</sub>	MD	"	" , " , "	8
31	W <sub>1</sub> B <sub>7</sub> PN <sub>5</sub> M <sub>5</sub> M <sub>6</sub> K <sub>2</sub> H <sub>18</sub> V <sub>12</sub>	"	"	" , " , "	"

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H.M. = Hinge moments

mD = Short minimum drag Run

MD = Complete " " "

P = Complete polar



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TABLE 1

Notation Used to Describe Configurations Tested

	<u>Consolidated Dwg. No.</u>	<u>Fig. No.</u>	<u>Photo No.</u>
$W_1$ = wing of GALCIT Rep. 221-A			
$B_7$ = hull B <sub>g</sub> of GALCIT Rep. 221-A refinished and hull lines checked with original drawings	29Z018		* 1,2
$P$ = wing tip floats of GALCIT Reps. 221 and 221-A			
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$V_{13}$ = " " " "	29Z008	5	11
$\alpha_u$ = angle of attack relative to root chord, uncorrected for wind tunnel wall inter- ference			
$\alpha$ = angle of attack relative to root chord, corrected for wind tunnel wall inter- ference			
$i$ = angle of incidence of the wing = $3^\circ$			
$s$ = stabilizer angle relative to root chord			
$e$ = elevator angle relative to stabilizer			
$\psi$ = angle of yaw relative to plane of symmetry			
$q$ = dynamic pressure $(\rho/2)V^2$ in gm./cm. <sup>2</sup>			



REPORT ON  
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I. Introduction; General Description of Model and Tests

This Report, to be considered as supplementary to GALCIT Reports 221 and 221-A, describes the results of wind tunnel tests on the "Modernized" version of the model discussed in the earlier Reports. The elements modified were the hull (including gun turrets and navigator's dome), vertical surfaces, and nacelles. Three-component data were obtained as well as yawing moments at angles of yaw. The testing technique, method of reduction and presentation of data, etc., were the same as in the previous Reports and will not be further discussed here.

A three-view of the full-scale airplane is given in Fig. 1, the nacelle appears in Fig. 2, the turrets and dome are shown in Fig. 3, and the vertical surfaces in Figs. 4 and 5. The notation used to describe the various configurations tested is listed in Table 1. The dimensions, assumed C.G. location, etc., used in reducing the data are the same as for the appropriate cases of Report 221 and are not repeated here. The special yaw rigging is that discussed in Report 221-A, Section II, 2.

The results are discussed in Section II under the following headings:

- 1) Three-component and parasite-drag measurements
- 2) Yawing moments at angles of yaw, rudder effectiveness and hinge moment.



## II. Experimental Results and Discussion

### 1) Three-Component and Parasite-Drag Measurements (Figs. 6-8)

Fig. 6 presents three-component data giving the effect of adding nacelles, tail surfaces, and gun turret  $M_5$  to the wing-hull-tip float configuration. Certain comparative results from Report 221-A are also included. With only wing, hull, and tip floats, the data from the two Reports are in excellent agreement, except that the present tests give a slightly higher stalling angle and a correspondingly higher  $C_{L_{max}}$ . With the addition of nacelles,  $N_5$ , however, a disagreement appears. Up to  $\alpha \pm 15^\circ$  the old and new results are practically indistinguishable. At this attitude the results of the present investigation indicate a premature stall which, as the balance readings show, is accompanied by a large change in rolling moment. This abnormal rolling moment persists until approximately  $\alpha \pm 16.1^\circ$ , where it disappears. It therefore seems that the premature stall is actually a stall of one side of the wing induced by the nacelles on that side. At  $\alpha \pm 16.1^\circ$  the other side of the wing is apparently also stalled, and the abnormal rolling moment then vanishes. The method of attaching nacelles employed with this model makes it difficult to align the nacelles accurately in yaw. It therefore is possible that one of the nacelles was set at an appreciable angle of yaw which might easily induce a premature stall over the wing adjacent to it. If this explanation, or one like it, is correct, then the premature stall is essentially a model characteristic and should not occur on the full-size airplane. It is believed that this is actually the case, and it is accordingly recommended that no attention be paid to the premature stall which appears on all subsequent Runs near  $C_{L_{max}}$ .



With tail surfaces  $H_{18}V_{11}$ , the results from the two Reports are nearly identical except for the region near  $C_{L_{max}}$ , and for a difference in trim. There is a nearly constant difference in  $C_M$  of the order of 0.030 between the pertinent curves for the two Reports. With the stabilizer effectiveness found in Report 221-A ( $-\frac{dC_M}{ds^\circ} \doteq 0.030$ ), about half of this difference is explained by the  $1/2^\circ$  difference in stabilizer setting for the two curves, leaving an unexplained discrepancy corresponding to about  $1/2^\circ$  stabilizer displacement. The accuracy with which a stabilizer setting can be duplicated when the model is removed from the tunnel, disassembled, and reassembled is not much better than  $1/4^\circ$  to  $1/2^\circ$ , so that it appears that this remaining discrepancy probably corresponds to uncertainties in the exact stabilizer settings for the two tests in question.

The change from  $V_{11}$  to  $V_{12}$  and the addition of  $M_5$  produce only negligible effects, as indicated on the small-scale, three-component diagram.

The corresponding parasite-drag results of Fig. 7 show that the configurations of the present Report actually have slightly less drag than the corresponding ones of the earlier Report. Such a difference is not surprising in view of the reworking and smoothing up of the model, which were carried out between the two investigations. The reason for the fact that this difference is somewhat larger with tail surfaces mounted than with them removed is not clear. Fairly small differences in the condition of the tail surfaces, and especially in their fairing to the hull, could account for the phenomenon. If  $\Delta C_{D_p}$  represents the difference in  $C_{D_p}$  between Run 9 of Report 221-A and Run 25 of the present Report, then the increase in  $\Delta C_{D_p}$  with  $C_L$  is explained by the difference in stabilizer



settings. For at about  $C_L = 0.41$  the load on the two tails is practically equal, below this  $C_L$  the tail of Report 221-B carries more load than that of Report 221-A, and above this  $C_L$  it carries less. Hence the drag due to tail load should be larger for Run 25 (221-B) than for Run 9 (221-A) below  $C_L = 0.41$  and smaller above  $C_L = 0.41$ .  $\Delta C_{Dp}$  varies with  $C_L$  in exactly the manner that these considerations would suggest.

The parasite drags of  $V_{11}$  and  $V_{12}$  are nearly indistinguishable even with the large  $C_{Dp}$  scale employed in Fig. 7.

Fig. 8 gives parasite-drag data for all of the turrets and domes investigated. All give relatively small drag increments,  $M_5$  and  $M_9$  giving the smallest values, which are practically identical.  $M_6$  and  $K_2$  furnish somewhat larger increments which, again, are nearly equal.  $M_{10}$  gives considerably the largest drag of any of the turrets or domes.

Drag-coefficient increments and proper drags have been collected in Table 2 below, where comparative data from Report 221-A are also included.

TABLE 2  
Drag-Coefficient Increments and Proper Drags

Item	$C_L$	$\Delta C_{Dp}$ based on area = 8440 cm. <sup>2</sup>		$S_{\pi}$ (cm. <sup>2</sup> )	Proper Drag Coef., $C_{D\pi}$	Proper Drag Coef., $C_{D\pi}$ From Rep. 221-A
		Rep. 221-B	Rep. 221-A			
Nacelles, $N_5$	0.3	0.0023	0.0025	290.0	0.067	0.073
Turret, $M_5$	"	0.0002	0.0002	--	--	--
Turret, $M_6$	"	0.0004	0.0003	--	--	--
Turret, $M_9$	"	0.0002	--	--	--	--
Turret, $M_{10}$	"	0.0008	--	--	--	--
Tail Surfaces $H_{18}V_{11}, s = -1.3$	0.47	0.0031	0.0035 ( $s = -0.85^\circ$ ) ( $C_L = 0.35$ )	2400	0.0109	0.0123
Tail Surfaces $H_{18}V_{12}, s = -1.3$	"	0.0032	--	2525	0.0107	--



The agreement between the two Reports is satisfactory, the nacelle and tail-surface drags being a little lower in the present Report than in Report 221-A.

Note: In the original form of Report 221-A, an erroneous, excessively large drag was given for  $M_6$ . This was corrected to the value given above at the time of the present investigation when the original error was discovered (cf. corrected p. 6 and Fig. 8 of Rep. 221-A).

2) Yawing Moment at Angles of Yaw, Rudder Effectiveness and Hinge Moment (Figs. 9-12)

Yawing moment at angles of yaw is presented in Fig. 9 for various tail surfaces, with and without turret  $M_5$ . Two curves from Report 221-A are also given for configurations comparable to those tested in the present investigation. The agreement between the two Reports is very satisfactory, such small differences as do appear being explainable by the slight changes in the model made between the two investigations. All of the tail configurations were tested with and without turret  $M_5$ . In every case the effect of the turret is negligible, being of the order of the experimental scatter. This result is in disagreement with that originally obtained in Report 221-A, Run 17. A check of this Run revealed an error in the data reduction which, when corrected, led to the result that the effect of  $M_5$  on yawing moment was negligible, as shown by the corrected data of Report 221-A (cf. corrected Fig. 15 of Rep. 221-A).

For all of the tail surface configurations, the directional stability is fairly constant for  $-4^\circ \leq \psi \leq +4^\circ$  and again for  $10^\circ < |\psi| < 21^\circ$ . The results are accordingly tabulated below for these two ranges of yaw angle. For  $4^\circ < |\psi| < 10^\circ$  the stability increases continuously from the lower to the higher value.



TABLE 3  
Summary of Directional Stabilities

Tail Surfaces	$- dC_y/d\psi^\circ$	
	$-4^\circ \leq \psi \leq +4^\circ$	$10^\circ <  \psi  < 21^\circ$
None	-0.0009	-0.0003 (roughly)
H <sub>18</sub>	-0.0006	+0.0002 ( " )
H <sub>18</sub> V <sub>11</sub>	+0.0005	0.0016
H <sub>18</sub> V <sub>12</sub>	0.0007	0.0018
H <sub>18</sub> V <sub>13</sub>	0.0009	0.0021

From the curves of Fig. 9 the yawing moment due to vertical surfaces,  $\left(\frac{dC_y}{d\psi^\circ}\right)_v$ , may be obtained by subtraction. This has been done and the results plotted in Fig. 10. From these curves a vertical tail efficiency factor  $\eta_v$  may be determined.  $\eta_v$  is defined by the following equation which takes into account the aspect ratio of the vertical surfaces:

$$\left(\frac{dC_y}{d\psi^\circ}\right)_v = -\eta_v \frac{l_v}{b} \frac{S_v}{S_w} \frac{5.5}{1 + \frac{5.5}{\pi AR_v}} \frac{\pi}{180}$$

Here 5.5 is taken as the slope of the lift curve of the vertical surface airfoil profile for infinite aspect ratio in absolute units.  $\eta_v$  is a measure of the interference effects of wing, hull, nacelles, horizontal tail, etc., on the vertical surfaces.

The calculations for the three vertical surfaces follow;



	<u>V<sub>11</sub></u>	<u>V<sub>12</sub></u>	<u>V<sub>13</sub></u>
AR <sub>v</sub> =	1.27 each	1.51	1.51
S <sub>v</sub> =	180.12 ft. <sup>2</sup> (both)	207.08 ft. <sup>2</sup> (both)	237.20 ft. <sup>2</sup> (both)
S <sub>w</sub> =	1780 ft. <sup>2</sup>	1780 ft. <sup>2</sup>	1780 ft. <sup>2</sup>
b =	115 ft.	115 ft.	115 ft. (approx.)
l <sub>v</sub> =	46.26 ft.	46.26 ft.	46.26 ft.
$\frac{l_v}{b}$ =	0.4022	0.4022	0.4022
$\frac{S_v}{S_w}$ =	0.1012	0.1167	0.1333
$1 + \frac{5.5}{\pi AR_v}$ =	2.377	2.158	2.158
$\frac{5.5}{1 + \frac{5.5}{\pi AR_v}}$ =	2.315	2.550	2.550
$\left(\frac{dC_y}{d\psi}\right)_v$ =	-0.001644 $\eta_v$	-0.002090 $\eta_v$	-0.002387 $\eta_v$
$\left(\frac{dC_y}{d\psi}\right)_v$ =	-0.001195 (Fig.10)	-0.001335 (Fig.10)	-0.001510 (Fig.10)
$\eta_v$ =	0.727	0.639	0.633

Fig. 11 presents directional stability data for all of the turrets and the dome mounted on the hull. None of these items has any appreciable effect on the yawing moments, as would be expected in view of the lack of any possible interference between them and the twin vertical surfaces.

In Fig. 12 are given yawing moments and rudder hinge moments as functions of rudder deflection for various angles of yaw with vertical surfaces V<sub>12</sub>. A curve of yawing moment vs. angle of yaw for zero rudder deflection is also included. The rudder effectiveness



for constant angle of yaw is approximately constant over a range of rudder angles of about  $20^\circ$  in the neighborhood of  $r = 0^\circ$ . For rudder deflections greater than  $10^\circ$  or  $12^\circ$ , the effectiveness decreases markedly but remains positive to the largest deflections investigated. The rudder effectiveness is also roughly independent of angle of yaw for angles of yaw less than  $5^\circ$ . For larger angles of yaw it decreases somewhat. In the region of constant effectiveness we have approximately:

$$-\frac{dC_y}{dr^\circ} = 0.0009 \left\{ \begin{array}{l} -10^\circ < r < +10^\circ \\ -5^\circ < \psi < +5^\circ \end{array} \right\} V_{12}$$

The hinge-moment curves indicate considerable underbalance under all conditions and a high degree of stiffness for moderate and large rudder throws. The minimum stiffness is given by

$$\frac{dC_{H_r}}{dr^\circ} = 0.006 \text{ near } \psi = 0^\circ, r = 0^\circ$$

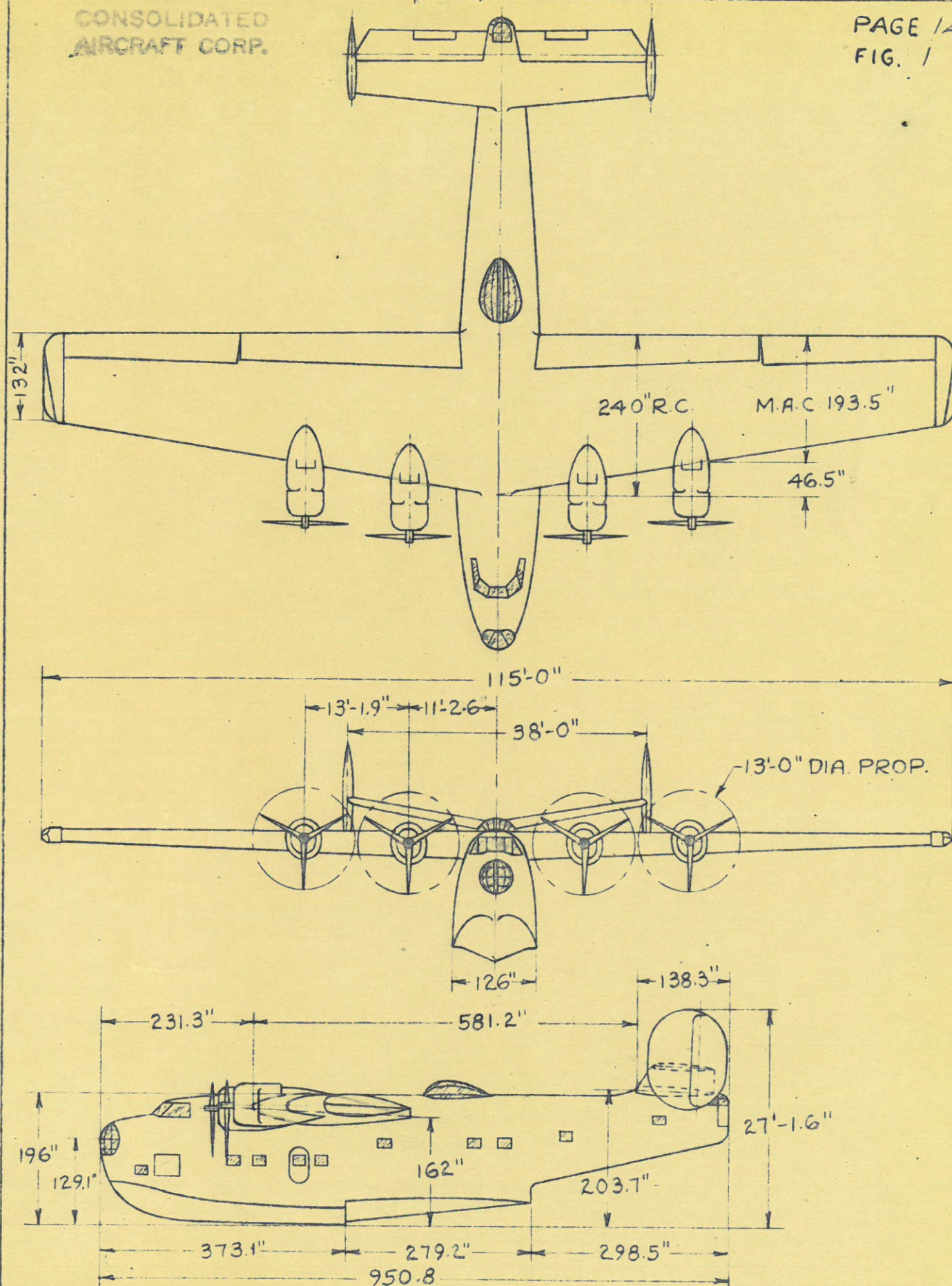
For large angles of yaw the stiffness is of the order of five times as large as the above figure.

#### Conclusion

The investigation described above was carried out from January 19-24, 1939, under the direction of Dr. Clark B. Millikan, who was largely assisted by Messrs. L. B. Rumph, Jr., and W. H. Bowen, and other members of the GALCIT wind tunnel staff. Messrs. Donald A. Hall and Ernest Stout acted as Consolidated representatives at the tests.

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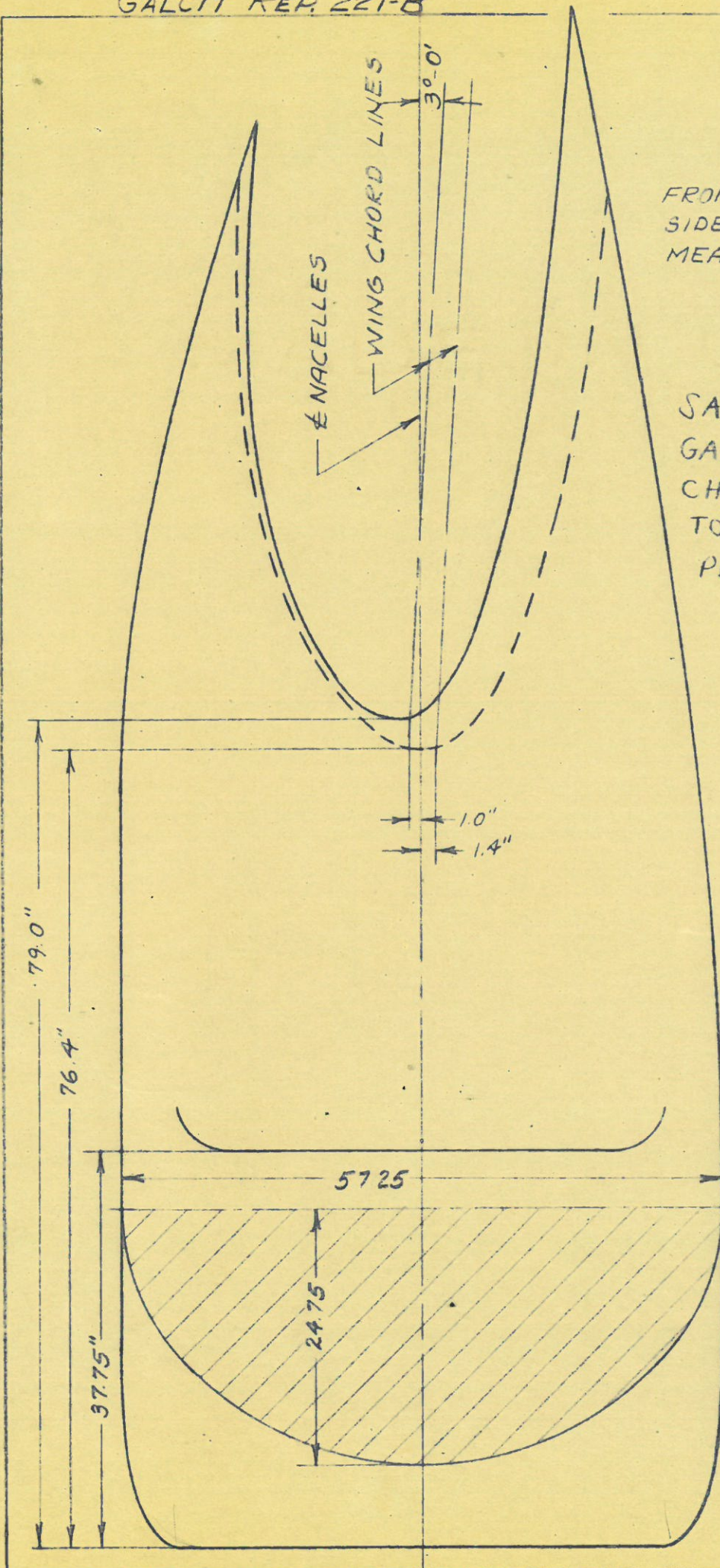


THRUST LINE IS PARALLEL WITH BASE LINE  
INCIDENCE OF WING = +3°  
NORMAL STAB. = -1° RELATIVE TO WING

XPB2Y-1  
MODERNIZED

SCALE 1"=200' L.D. 1-31-39





FRONTAL AREA, 15.3 SQ. FT.  
SIDE AREA (FWD OF  
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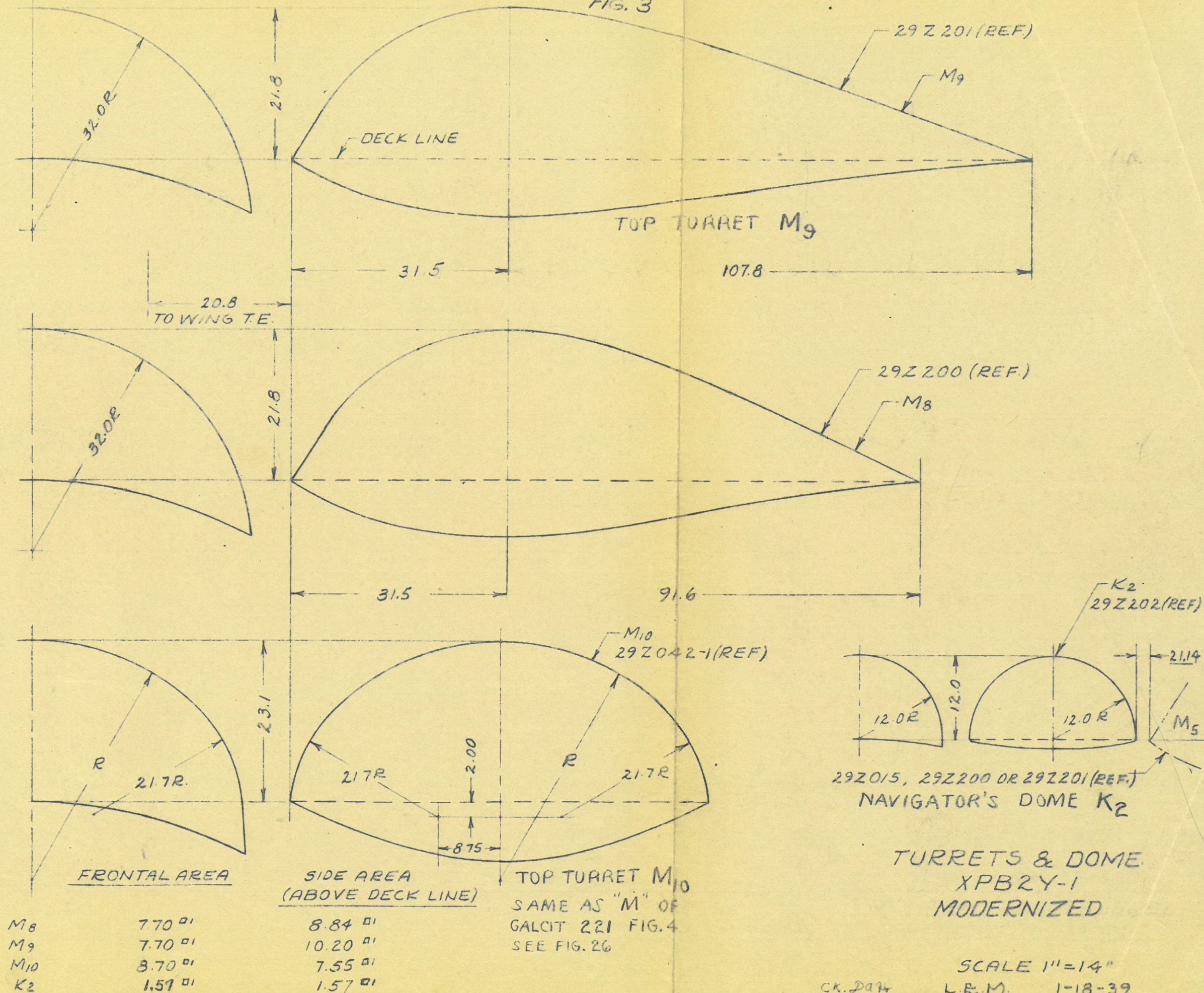
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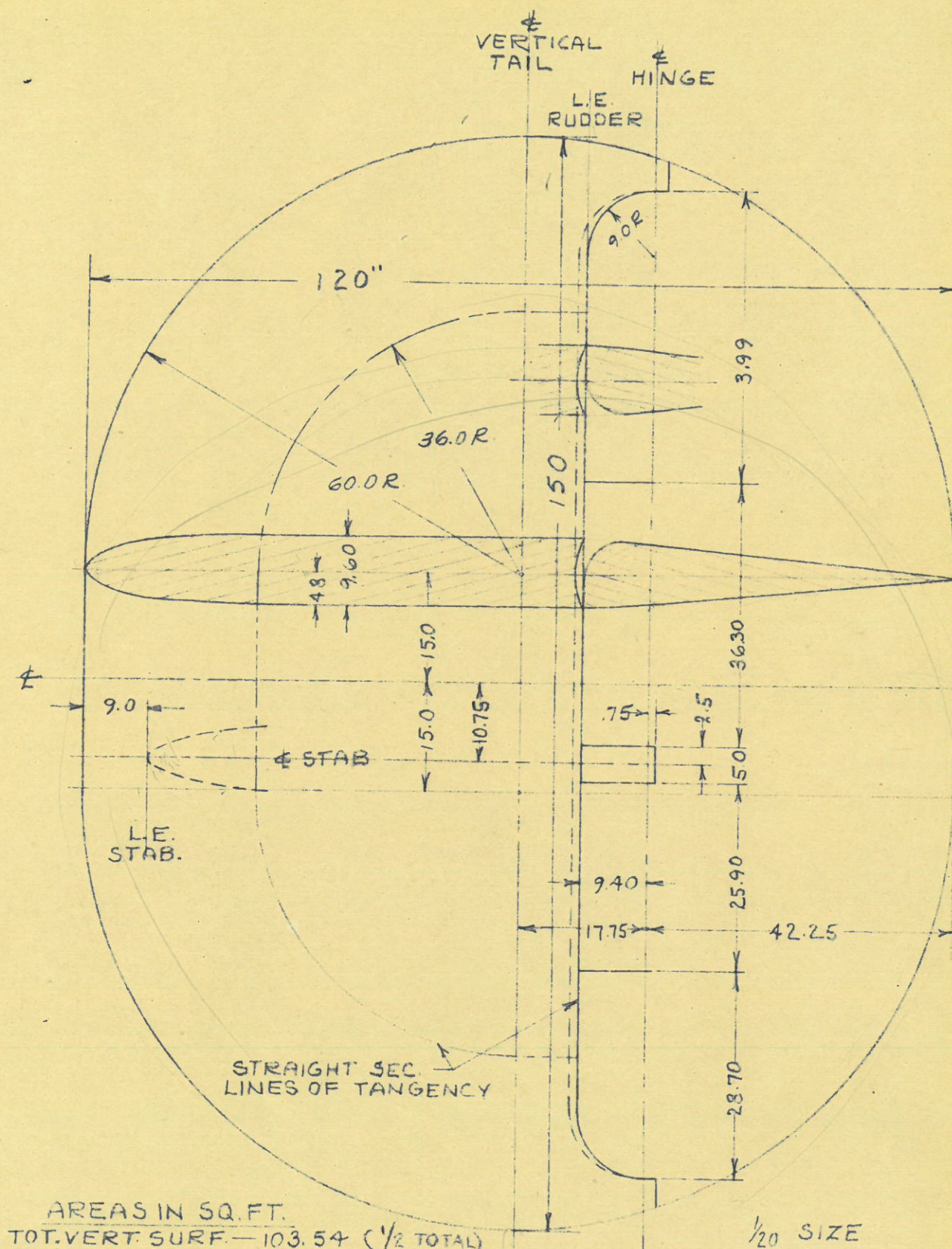
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MODERNIZED

SCALE 1"=14"  
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AREAS IN SQ. FT.

TOT. VERT. SURF.	103.54	(1/2 TOTAL)
FIN	62.00	
TOTAL RUDDER	41.54	
AFT OF HINGE	33.23	
RUDDER BALANCE	8.31	
20% BALANCE		

V<sub>12</sub>

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VERTICAL TAIL #2 (TWIN TAIL)  
MODERNIZED XPB2Y-1



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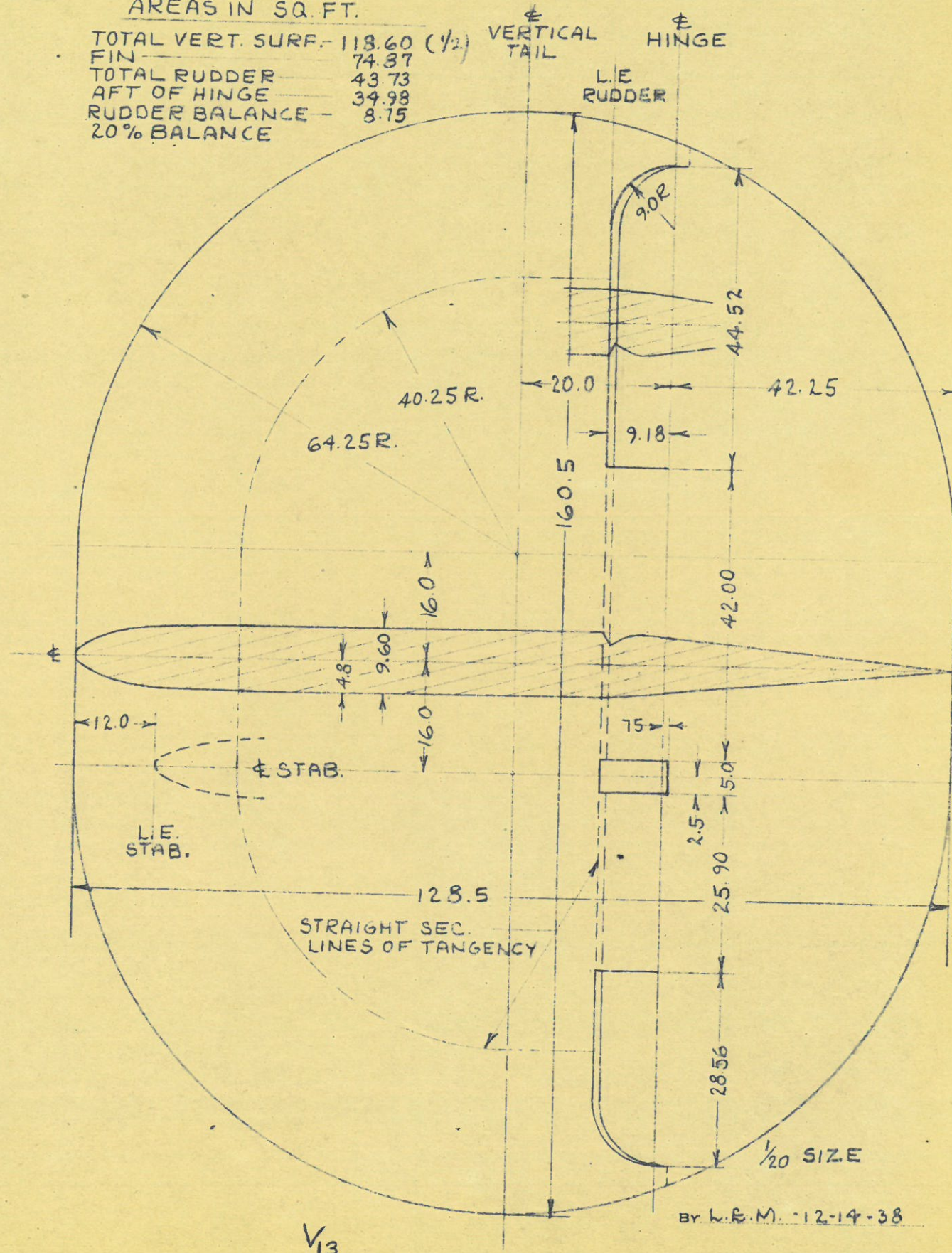
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 FIN 74.87  
 TOTAL RUDDER 43.73  
 AFT OF HINGE 34.98  
 RUDDER BALANCE 8.75  
 20% BALANCE

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HINGE  
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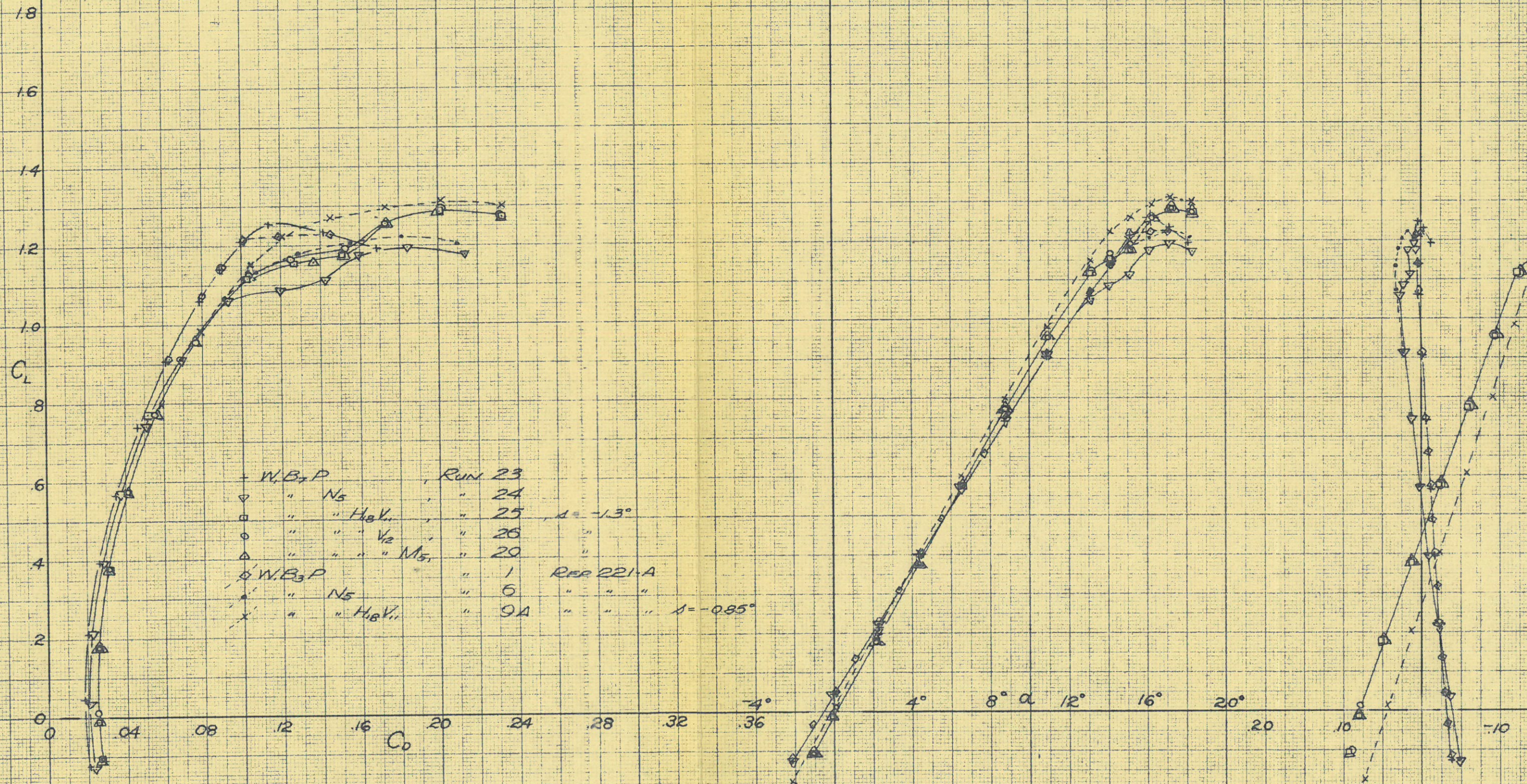
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VERTICAL TAIL #3 (TWIN TAIL)  
 MODERNIZED XPB2Y-1

V<sub>13</sub>

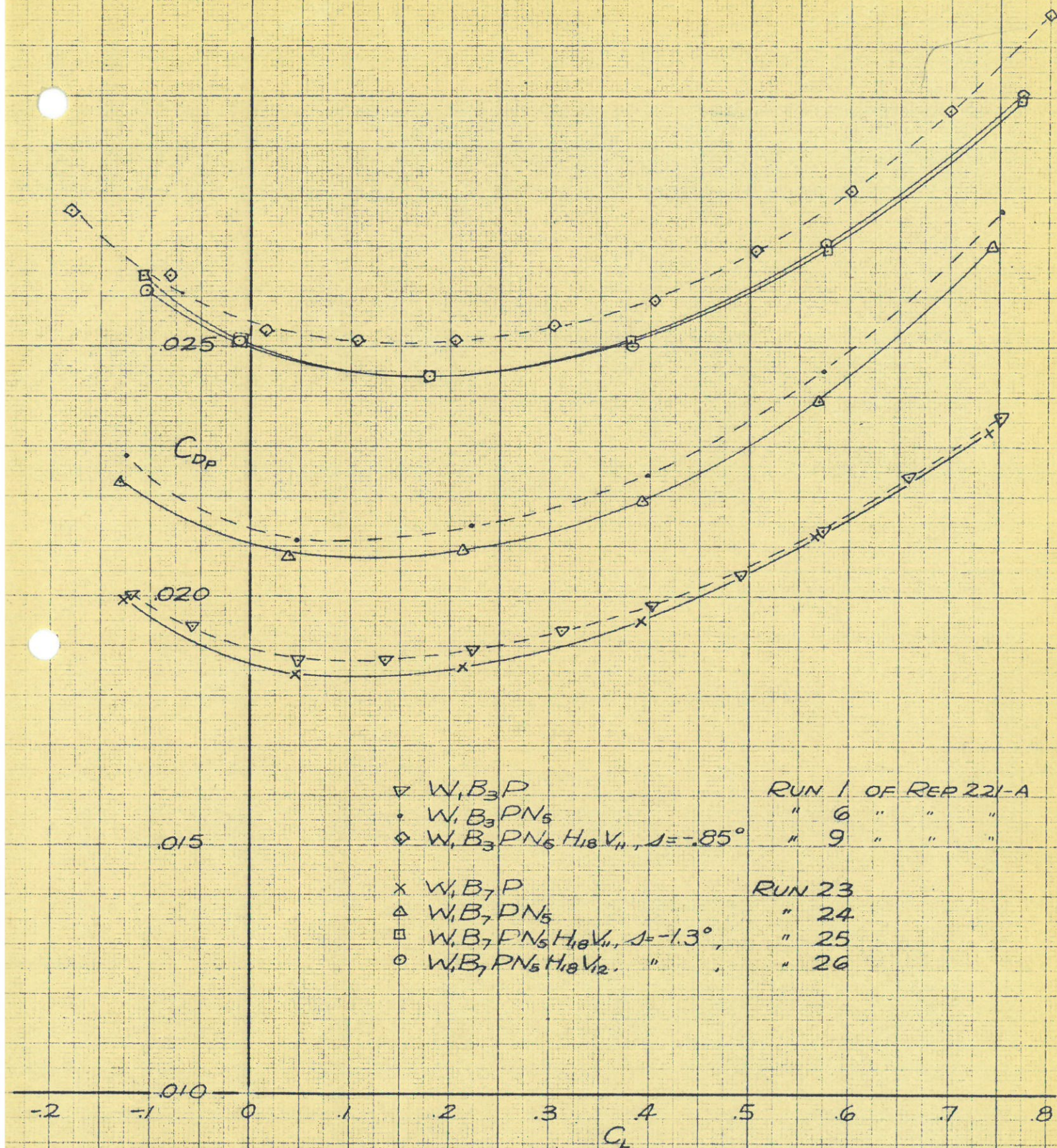




EFFECT OF NACELLES, TAIL SURFACES AND TURRET M15

THREE COMPONENT DATA

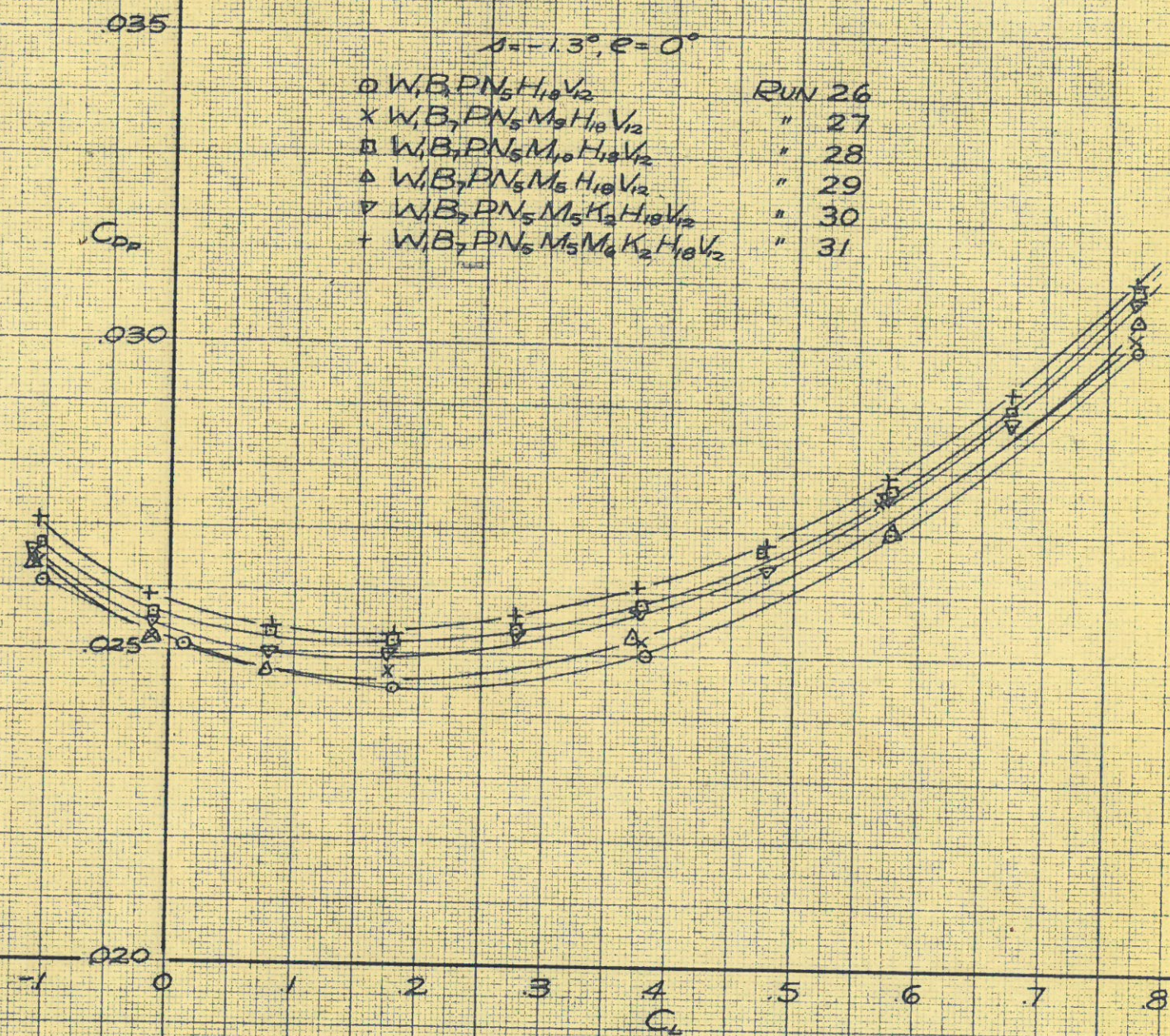




EFFECT OF NACELLES AND TAIL SURFACES

PARASITE DRAG

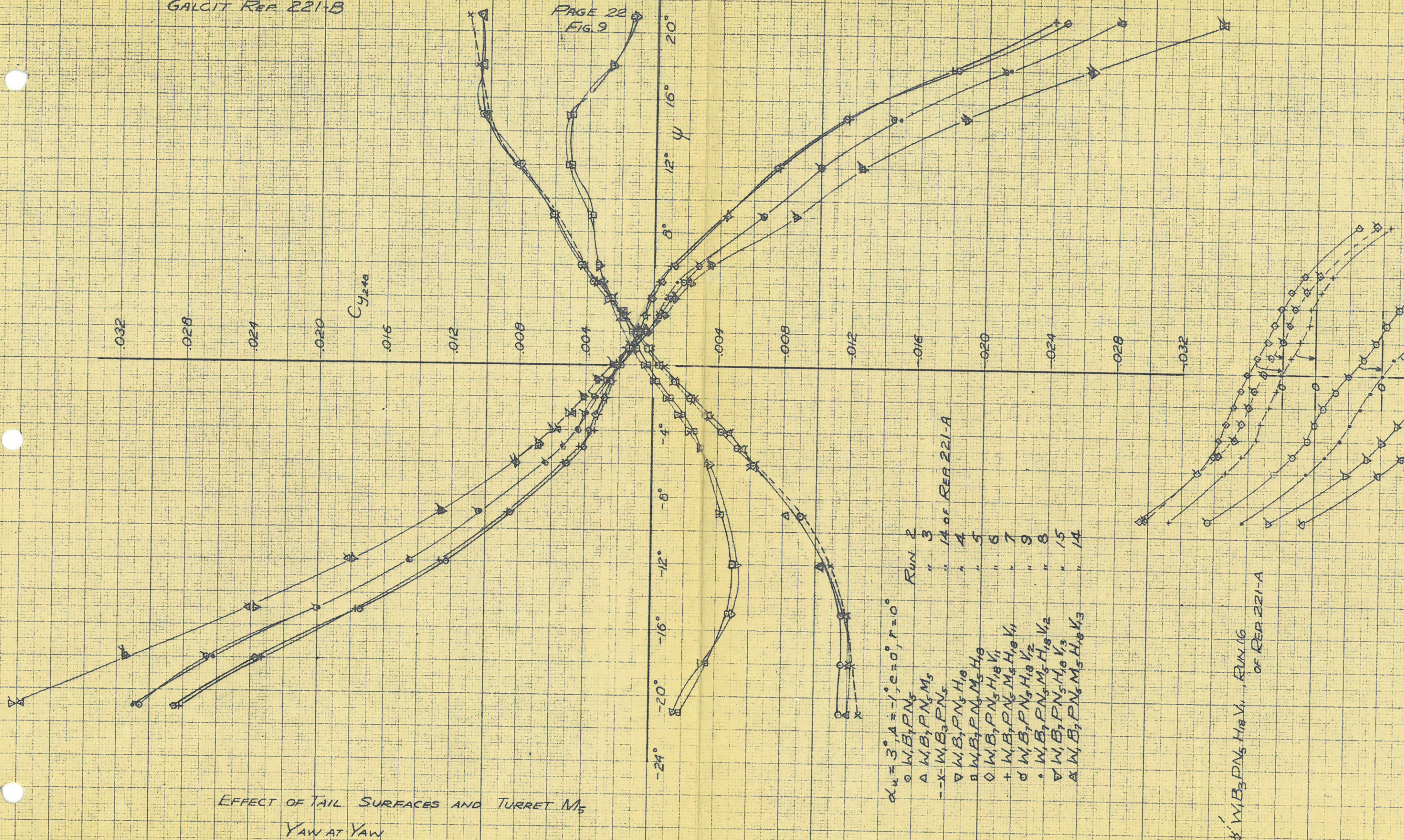




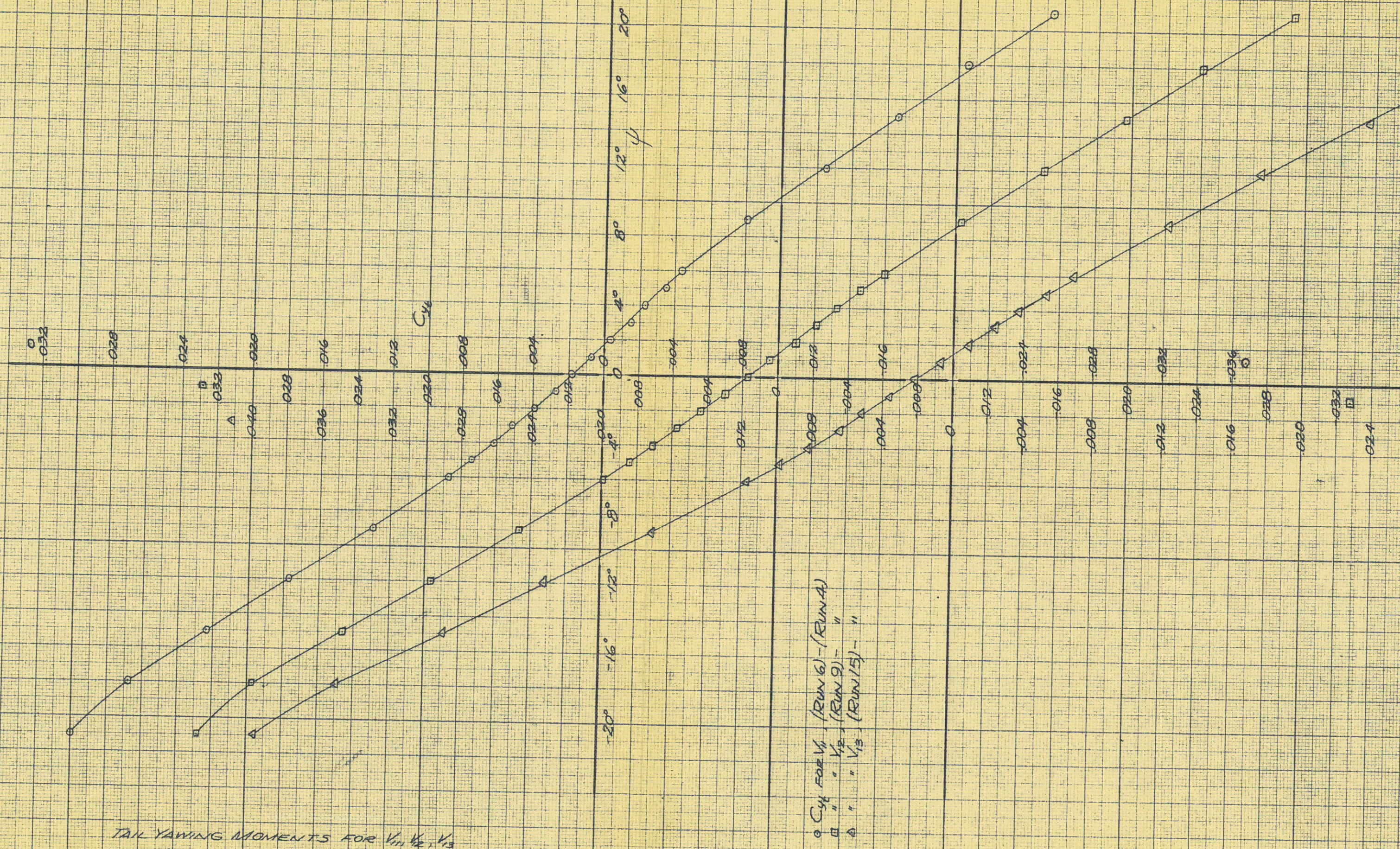
EFFECT OF TURRETS AND DOME

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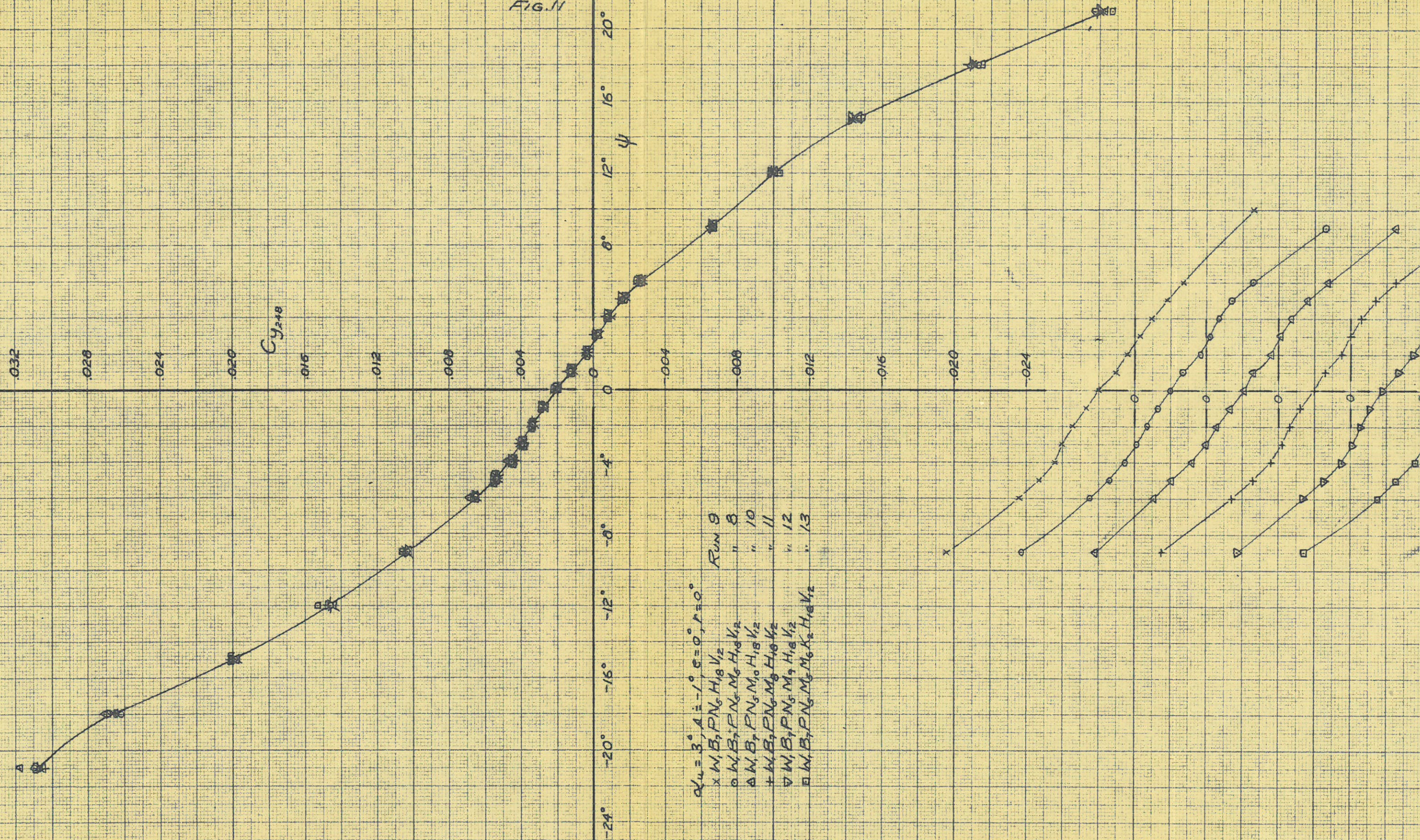






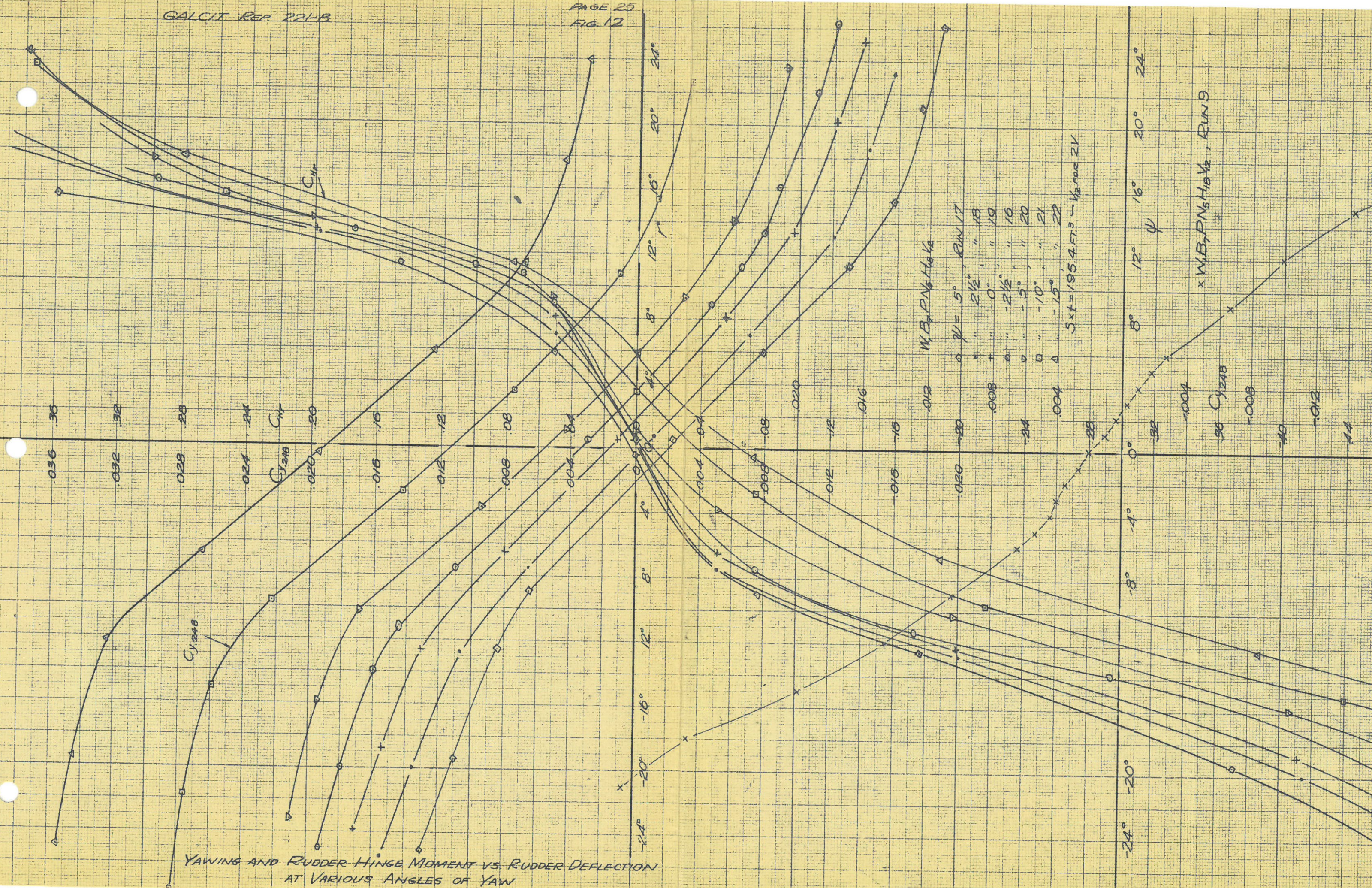
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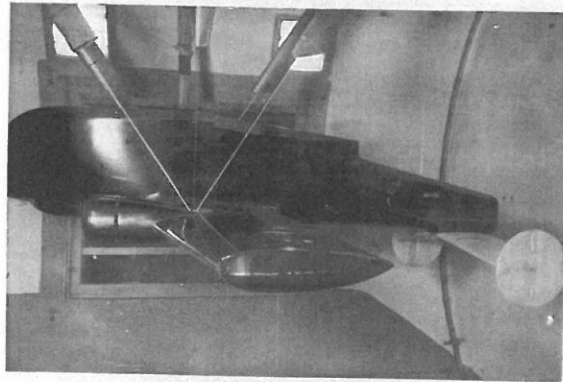


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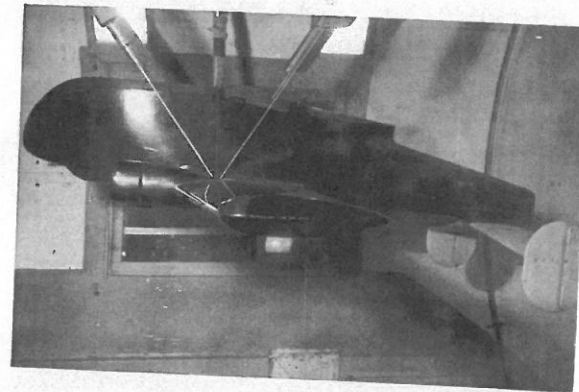


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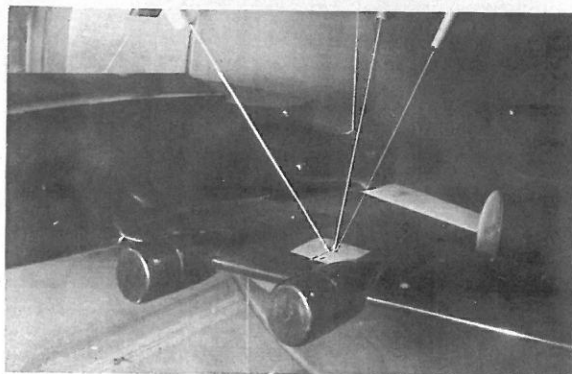


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3/4 front view showing N<sub>5</sub>



PHOTO 4.  
Side view showing M<sub>5</sub>, M<sub>6</sub>, and K<sub>2</sub>



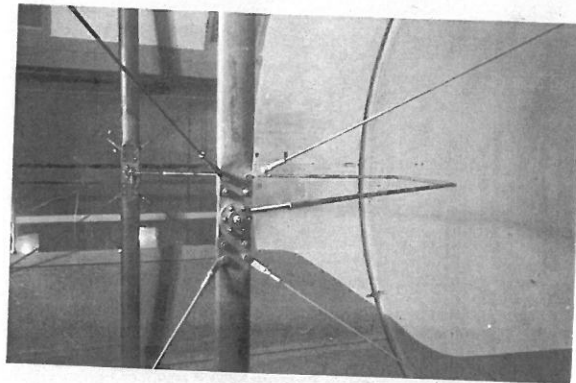


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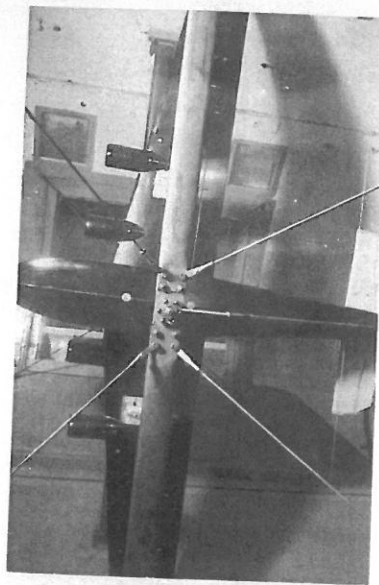


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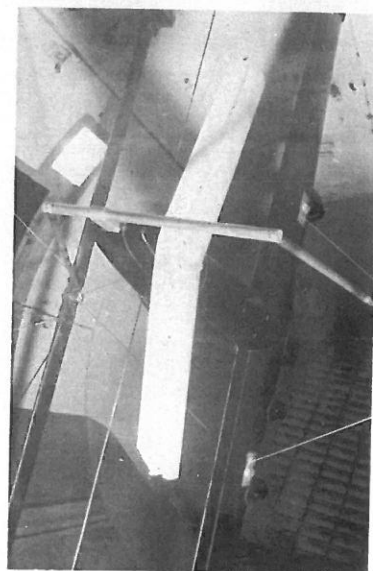


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3/4 rear view of H18 and  
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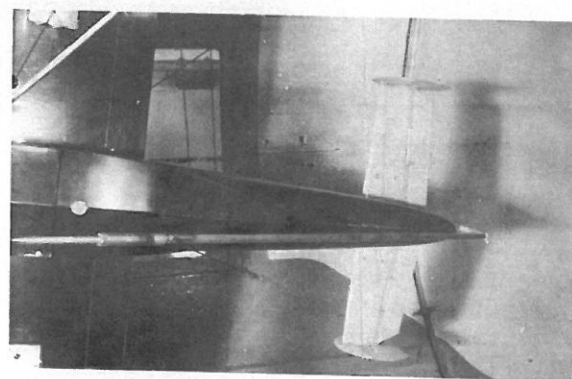


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Bottom view of H18V11



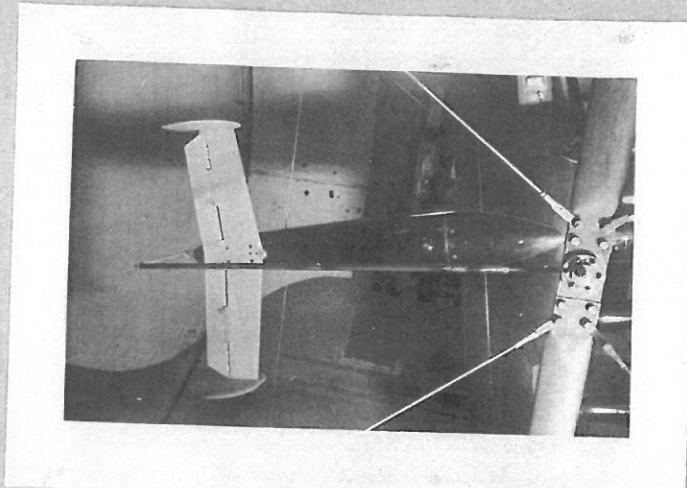


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Top view of H<sub>18</sub>V<sub>11</sub>

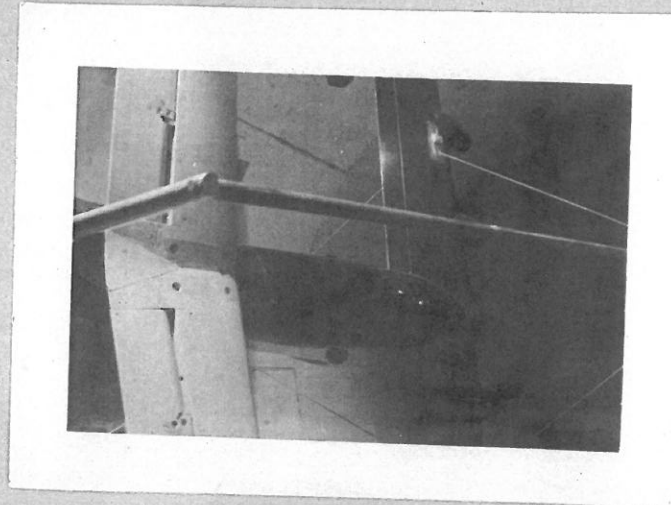


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3/4 rear view showing M<sub>5</sub>, M<sub>6</sub>, and K<sub>2</sub>

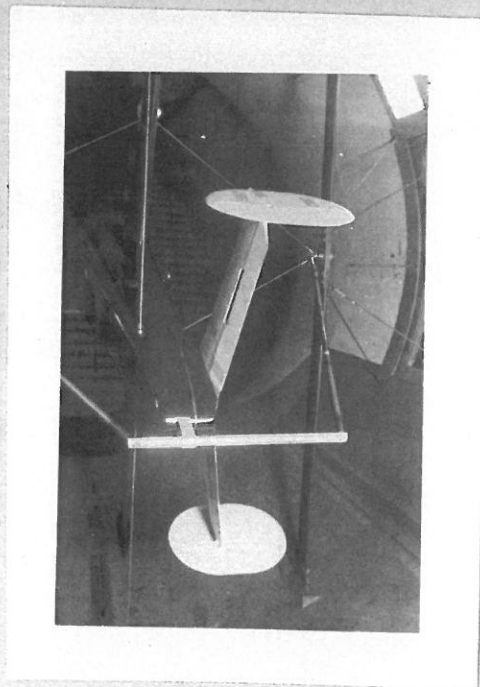


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Rear view showing H<sub>18</sub>V<sub>13</sub>



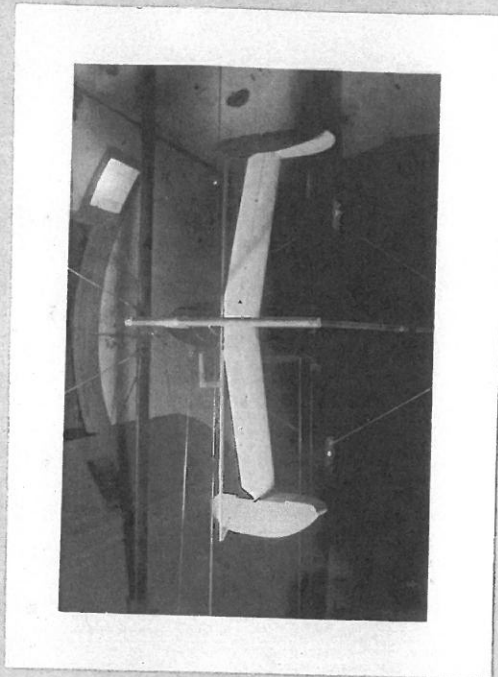


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Hinge-moment setup on V<sub>12</sub>

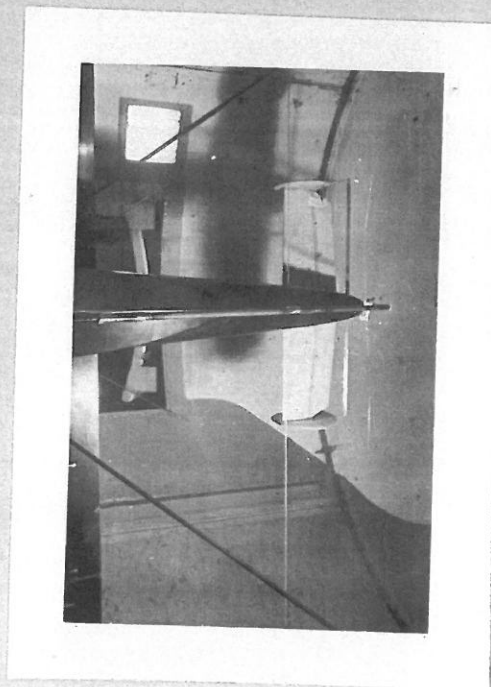


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Hinge-moment setup on V<sub>12</sub>



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March 4, 1939

Mr. H. A. Sutton  
Consolidated Aircraft Corporation  
San Diego, California

Dear Mr. Sutton:

I am enclosing corrected prints of certain pages in our Report 221-A in which errors have been discovered. Two Runs in this Report (Nos. 11 and 17) gave rather abnormal results. Accordingly, Runs were included in Report 221-B to check them. When the abnormalities were not found in the later Report, a careful check of the earlier Runs was made, and it was discovered that there were errors in the original computations of both Runs. These errors have now been corrected, the corresponding curves replotted, and the pertinent discussions altered in accordance with the corrected results. The sets which I am enclosing are intended to replace the corresponding sheets in the copies of Report 221-A which you already have. The replaced sheets should be destroyed.

I feel very apologetic that I did not catch these errors in my analysis of the tests during the preparation of the Report. When the costs of 221-B are computed, I shall deduct the cost of all Runs which were undertaken with the purpose of checking the abnormal results originally given in 221-A.

I hope very much that the errors did not cause you any difficulty other than that involved in the carrying out of the check Runs of Report 221-B. The latter Report has now been completed and is being typed. It should be sent to you next week.

Very sincerely yours,

*Clark B. Millikan*

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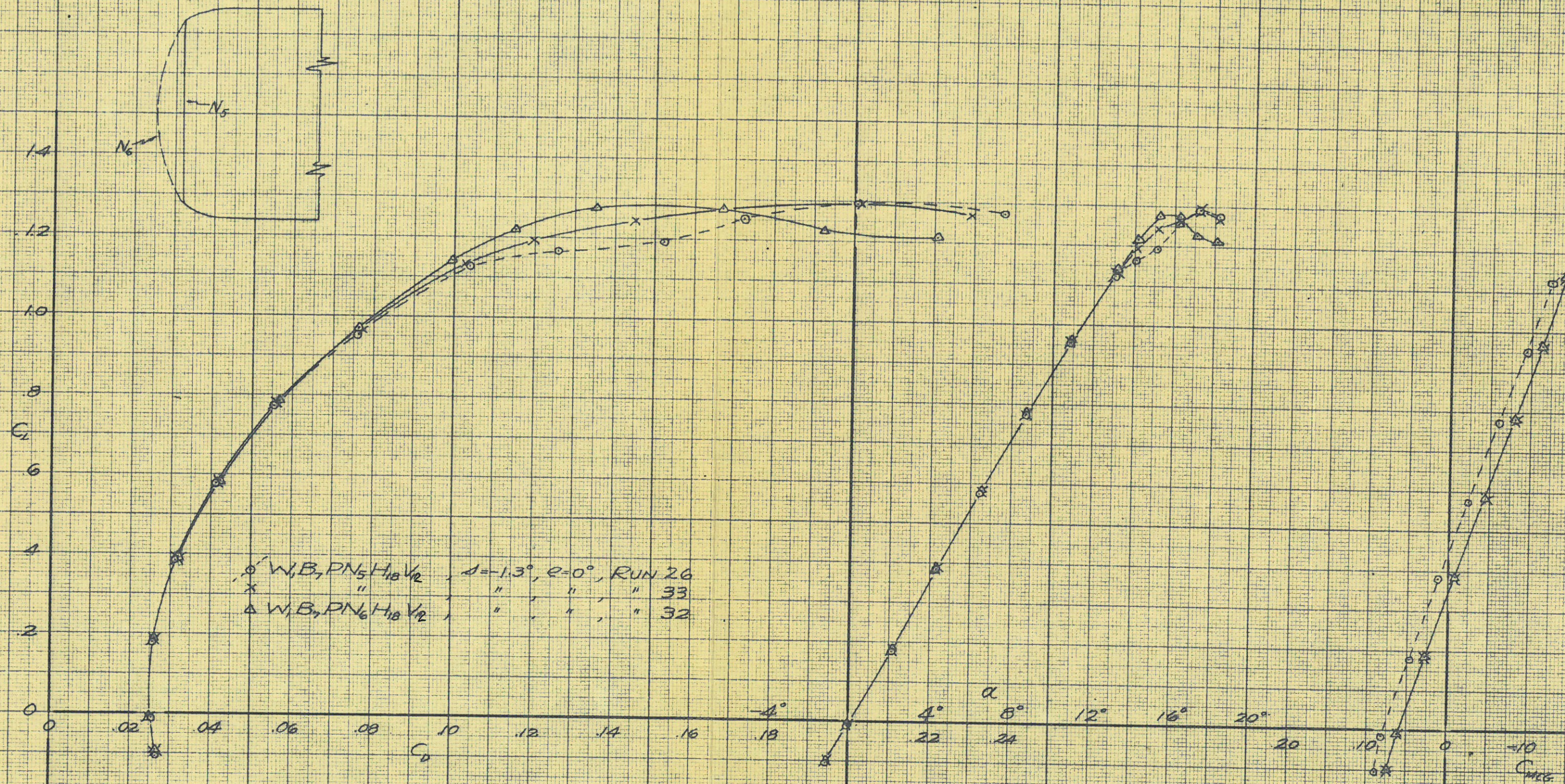
APPENDIX 1

About six weeks after the conclusion of the tests described in the body of the Report two additional Runs were made. This appendix discusses the results obtained in these later tests. Run 32 (Fig. 13) was made as a check on Run 26. The premature stall which was discussed on page 7 in connection with Run 26 still remains, although it is less severe with Run 32. It appears that the reason suggested on page 7 is probably correct, namely that small changes in the setting of nacelles  $N_5$  have a pronounced effect on the wing stalling characteristics. Nacelles  $N_6$ , identical with  $N_5$  except for a rounding of the nose as indicated in the sketch of Fig. 13, improve the stalling characteristics very appreciably, both with respect to lift and drag. The pitching moments for both Runs 32 and 33 are consistent with the earlier tests of Run 9A, Report 221-A, and indicate that the stabilizer or elevator setting for Run 26 was rather inexact, as suggested on page 8 of the present Report. Both were very carefully checked before Run 32.

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EFFECT OF NACELLES  $N_5$  AND  $N_6$  ON PREMATURE STALL

3 COMPONENT DATA



